

# Beyond the Classroom Walls

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**An e-learning community  
at OLPH School**

# What is Moodle?

Moodle is a free open source course management system (CMS).

It allows educators to create effective online learning communities.

# Advantages of Moodle

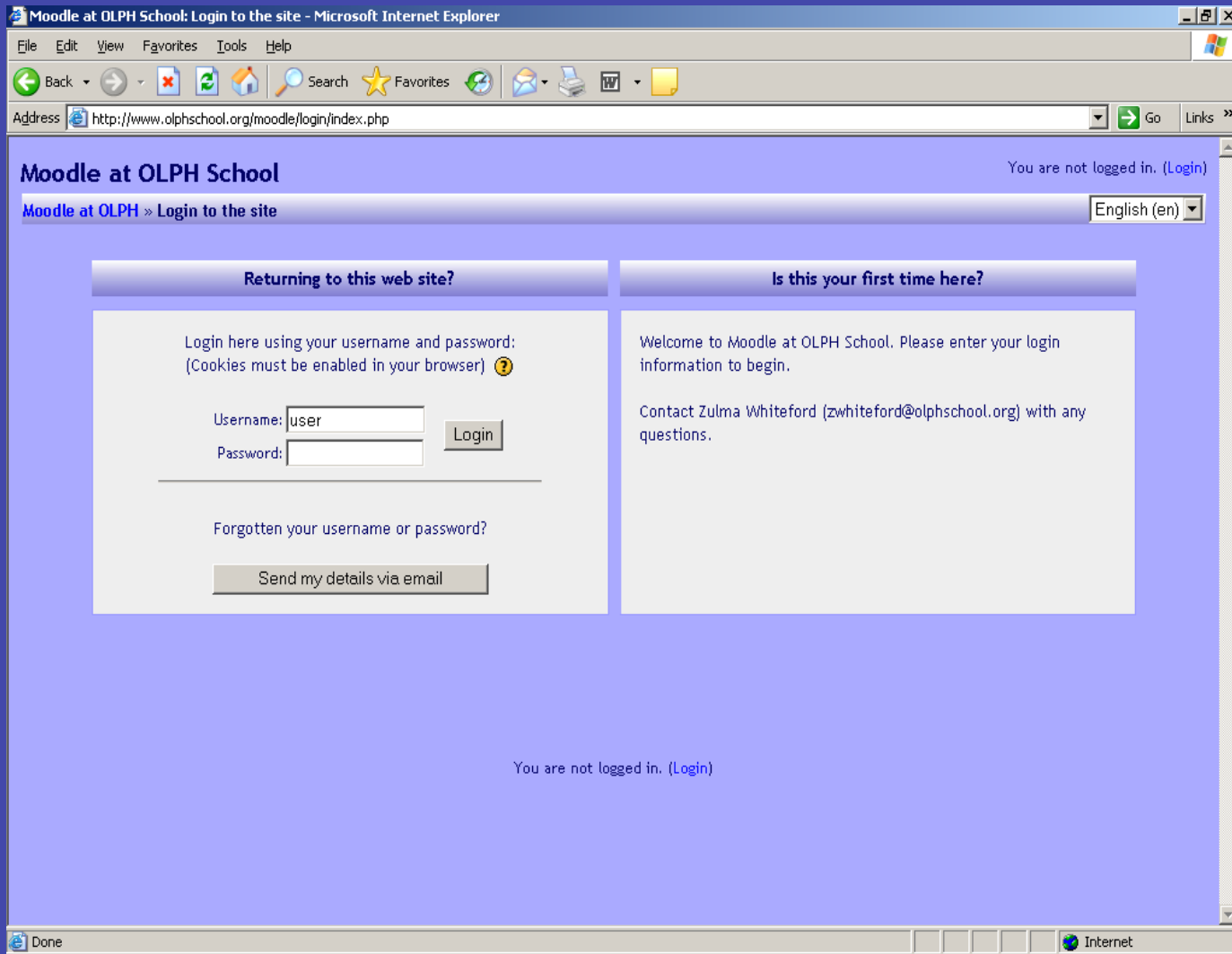
- It is free, regardless of installation size
- It combines the rich features of Blackboard and other E-Learning packages.
- It is easily installed, and is user friendly.

# Moodle at OLPH...

- Extends the classroom beyond its walls.
- Classroom discussions are not limited to time and continue in the evenings from home.
- Lessons are posted with step by step instructions so students can work at their own speed.






























- Students can review classroom lessons to master skills presented.
- Students can “chat” in a monitored safe environment.

# Using Moodle



*Moodle's Login Screen*

# Modules

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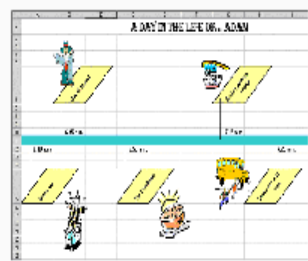


[http://moodle.olphschool.org/moodle/mod/assignment/view.php?id=250](#)

# Computer - Class of 2009

[OLPH Moodle](#) > [2009-COMP](#) > [Assignments](#) > **Let's make a timeline!**

[View 25 submitted assignments](#)



How do you spend your day? Let's have some fun with Microsoft Excel to design a timeline that outlines what you did yesterday (Sunday).

Click on the link below and read the directions carefully. Your finished product must be creative, include color and include cells formatted sideways (instructions can be found on the webquest).

<http://www.microsoft.com/education/createtimeline.mspx>

This lesson will be completed in two classperiods. **The final file must be uploaded by Wednesday, May 7th at 10:00 pm.**

**Available from:** Sunday, 27 April 2008, 11:00 am  
**Due date:** Wednesday, 7 May 2008, 11:00 pm

# Forum \ Discussion Board

What is the dress code at our school? What are the pros and cons of school dress codes? Read the article distributed by Mrs. Callihan on your latest Current Events publication and then research recent dress code cases at [www.firstamendment.center.org](http://www.firstamendment.center.org). How do those cases differ from Tinker?

Please formulate an answer of 25 words or more. Respond to at least 2 other members of your class.

*Mrs. Whiteford*

***A Teacher's Question***

# Forum \ Discussion Board



## Dress Codes at OLPH

by **OLPH Student** Monday, 17 October 2005, 07:01 PM

At OLPH, the summer dress code is the same for boys and girls: navy walking shorts and a white polo with the OLPH logo and a belt. During the winter, middle school girls wear a plaid navy and white skirt and may wear a short sleeve oxford shirt or a turtleneck (both with the OLPH logo). Boys wear a long sleeved oxford shirt with a gray and navy/black striped tie and navy dress pants. For P.E., we wear mesh shorts with the OLPH logo and a polo or spiritwear shirt with the OLPH logo for summer and for winter we wear navy sweatpants and a navy sweatshirt (with the OLPH logo) over the summer P.E. uniform.

The pros to our uniforms are that they limit competition, unify the student body (hence the name uniform), and you almost never have to pick out an outfit in the morning.

The cons to our uniform are that they are not interesting, limit our self expression, and I agree with everyone else that the girls' winter uniform (sweater or no sweater) is not warm enough.

Seeing that we did not yet receive Current Events, there is no way to make the comparison as requested.

*Name Deleted for Presentation Purposes*

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## *A Student's Response*

# Forum \ Discussion Board



## The pros and cons of dress codes

by Student 1 - Sunday, 16 October 2005, 05:28 PM

The dress code at OLPH is okay. For girls in the winter, it is a wool skirt with a white turtleneck or blouse with the school name on the shirt. Knee highs or crew socks with dress shoes that have no heel are worn with the outfit. No jewelery besides a religious necklace can be worn. For boys in the winter, the uniform is navy blue pants with a white shirt and a tie. The summer uniform, navy blue walking shorts and a white polo with sneakers, is the same for all students. Some pros of dress codes are that everyone looks the same, so people aren't put down by the clothes they wear and you don't have to spend a long time deciding what you're going to wear that day because you already know what you're wearing that day. Some cons of dress codes are that it's boring to wear the same thing every day and the uniforms aren't practical for activities you might do at recess or outside. The other cases differ from Tinker because Tinker was about keeping people from expressing how they felt about the war, while the other cases were about whether schools should allow certain fads.

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## Re: The pros and cons of dress codes

by Student 2 Sunday, 16 October 2005, 07:52 PM

I concur with your observation.

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*A Student's Response to the Teacher's Original Question, with a comment from another student.*

# Quizzes on Moodle

COMP7: Grade 7 Microsoft Word (Lessons 1-3) - Microsoft Internet Explorer

File Edit View Favorites Tools Help

**6** (3) Please match the following questions with the correct answer.

Marks: 16

**Time Remaining**  
**20:10**

The \_\_\_\_\_ is located at the very top of the Word window. It displays the name of the document you are currently using. Choose...

The letter "U" on your formatting toolbar stands for \_\_\_\_\_. Choose...

Times New Roman is a type of \_\_\_\_\_. Choose...

The blinking vertical line which can be moved with your mouse is called the \_\_\_\_\_. Choose...

The letter "B" on your formatting toolbar stands for \_\_\_\_\_. Choose...

The letter "I" on your formatting toolbar stands for \_\_\_\_\_. Choose...

The \_\_\_\_\_ is located at the top of the screen and it is where you click to give instructions to your computer. Choose...

The area where you type your document is called the \_\_\_\_\_. Choose...

**7** (7) Which drop down menu would you find the PRINT command in?

Marks: 2

Answer:  a. Format  
 b. Edit  
 c. Insert  
 d. File

Done Internet

**Matching, Multiple Choice, Fill in the Blank, are True\False are just some of the types of questions that can be used.**

Stay in touch with  
your students over  
the summer!



Happy Summer!

Summer brings many opportunities for you to enjoy a good book! You can read by the pool, while you travel or simply out in your backyard with a cold glass of lemonade.

The goal of this assignment is to build a review "bank" for everyone to benefit from. Book reviews will be selected to be published in the school's website. You will be able to use your classmate's recommendations to select future books to read.

Write a brief paragraph and tell me about a book you have read recently. What is the title of the book, the name of the author and briefly tell me what the book is about.

- Who were the main characters?
- What did they do?

# Moodle for your school

From a Technical Point of View

- Moodle will run in most of today's common server platforms, including Unix, Linux, Windows, and Mac platforms.
- Moodle is written entirely in the PHP Scripting language.



# Middle School Language Arts

Moodle has been fully implemented in the OLPH Middle School Language Arts classroom.

Moodle has proven to be a valuable tool to my language arts program:

- *“I can gather information from various sources, especially websites, and present written instructions with activities that the students can complete both in class and at home.”*
- *“I can link to a website and have the kids actually complete activities from the site and upload their results to me on Moodle.”*

- *“I love the fact that there is an interactive "one-to-oneness" that you don't always have with each student on a daily basis in relationship to homework.”*

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